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Sehr geehrte Kolleginnen und Kollegen,

hiermit habe ich die traurige Pflicht, Sie vom Tode unseres Vice-President Rob Kempton zu informieren. Weitere Informationen entnehmen Sie bitte auch dem Memo, dass wir von Norman Breslow erhalten haben.

Lothar Kreienbrock

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MEMORANDUM

15 May 2003

TO: Members of Council, Regional Presidents and National Secretaries  
FROM: Norman Breslow, IBS President  
RE: Death of Rob Kempton

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It is with deepest sadness that I must report to you the death of Rob Kempton, IBS Vice President and President-elect. Rob died Sunday, 11 May of an apparent heart attack while cycling. He is survived by his wife, Annelise, and their three grown children, Emily, William and Ben. Rob's demise is a tragic loss for his family, friends and colleagues, for the institute that he directed and for the IBS.

A brief message about Rob may be found at <http://www.bioss.sari.ac.uk/index.html>. There you will also find an e-mail address for the posting of tributes.

According to IBS Bylaws, of which the relevant portion is appended, "a vacancy in the Vice-presidency shall be filled by an Acting Vice-president chosen by lot from among those Ordinary Council Members who are in the final two years of their terms of office." Also appended is a list of Council members showing their terms of office. **I would request that those members of Council whose terms end in 2003 respond immediately, before Friday 23 May 2003, as to whether or not they would be prepared to serve as Vice-President until a new election process can be completed.** Please let me know by e-mail ([norm@u.washington.edu](mailto:norm@u.washington.edu)), with a copy to the Business Office ([IBS@bostromdc.com](mailto:IBS@bostromdc.com)) as to your willingness to serve in this capacity.

The Executive Committee also believes that a new election for Vice-President, to include service as President during 2004-5 and Vice-President during 2006, should be held as soon as is practically possible. In order to allow the broadest possible participation in this process, we would like to open nominations for this office. Accordingly, **I would request that Regional Presidents confer among themselves and prepare new nominations for Vice-President/President-Elect of IBS.** These should be submitted to me and to the Business Office **no later than 15 June 2003** so that a ballot can go out to Council later that month. The nominations should include a short biography of the candidate and a statement from the candidate affirming his or her willingness to serve if elected. Information regarding the duties of Vice-President and President is contained in the IBS Bylaws, the text of which is available at <http://tibs.org/constitution.html>. Further information may be obtained from the Business Office.

Your cooperation in helping the IBS achieve its goals during this time of crisis is most appreciated.

Bylaw 3.1:

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Vacancies - A vacancy in the Presidency shall be filled by the Vice-president.

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A vacancy in the Vice-presidency shall be filled by an Acting Vice-president chosen by lot from among those Ordinary Council Members who are in the final two years of their terms of office. A President or Acting Vice-president coming to office in this manner shall exercise the full duties and responsibilities of office until December 31 of the same year or until the Council shall have taken steps to restore the appropriate succession of office, whichever date be the later. In the event of any unscheduled succession of the Vice-president to the Presidency or any appointment of an Acting Vice-president the Council shall determine, as early as is practicable, what new elections may be necessary to restore the regularity of succession to office. The Council may choose to elect a new President, a new Vice-president, or both, subject only to the provision that any person so elected will complete the term of office of the person replaced unless unwilling or incapacitated.

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A summary of Ordinary Council Members and their terms is as follows:

<b>Region</b>	<b>Term ending 2003</b>	<b>Term ending 2005</b>
Argentina	R Cantet, JA Di Rienzo	N Winzer
Australasian	KE Basford, E Williams	K Russell
Austro-Swiss	A Racine Poon	KP Pfeiffer
Belgian		E Goetghebeur, G Verbeke
Brazil		CGB Demétrio
British	PJ Avery, RA Bailey	M Kenward, A Mead, R Thompson
Caribbean		A Perez, L Pla
Eastern Mediterranean		L Freedman
ENAR	P Macdonald	M Davidian, W Piegorsch
French	JD Lebreton	D Commenges
German	I Pigeot	H Becher, L Hothorn, H Weiss
Hungarian	KL Toth	
Indian		H Sridhara
Italian	E Marubini	A Biggeri
Japan	N Minaka	T Sato
Korean		B-S Kim
The Netherlands		S le Cessie, B. Engel
Nordic	PK Andersen	
Spanish	EA Carbonell, G Gomez i Melis	
WNAR		J Neuhaus
At Large	E Niedokos (Poland), S Nokoe (GNi)	M Krzysko (GPol)